

ACCEPT BIDS FOR OIL FIELD ROAD MATERIAL

Low Bidders Win; Sell Stone, Oil, Rock To City

Repair of the old Redondo road and other highways through that part of the oil field lying inside the city limits of Torrance will be started at once. This work will all be paid for out of the fund created by the \$250 derrick tax imposed on oil operators by the trustees.

The board Tuesday night instructed City Engineer Jessup to proceed with

the work and to purchase such small tools as would be necessary.

Several bids for material to go into the roads were accepted by the board. Low bids were accepted in each instance, with one exception. The bid of Schultz, Peckham & Schultz for that of the Galion Iron Works of Inglewood, although the Inglewood bid was \$1785 as against \$1885 by the Torrance company. A representative of the Inglewood company told the trustees that his company would not be able to make delivery for thirty days at the least. As the work is all ready to start and as a tractor purchased from the Galion firm might not reach Torrance for five or six weeks, City Engineer Jessup recommended that the Schultz, Peckham & Schultz bid be accepted. On motion of Trustee Zeller it was so voted.

C. B. Hollingsworth's bid of \$1.60 a yard for 1,000 yards of decomposed

granite was low and was accepted. Other low bids accepted were as follows: American Crushed Rock company, 300 to 500 tons, at \$1.65 per ton, F. O. B. Torrance; Gilmore Oil company (only bidder), 300 to 500 barrels of road oil, at \$3.61 per 42-gallon barrel, spread on roads.

Several bids for 700 feet of fire hose were opened. Owing to difference in quality and the wide divergence in bids, the trustees instructed Trustee Smith and Fire Chief Hannebink to investigate the experiences of other cities with various grades of hose before any of the bids is accepted or rejected.

There is now \$8000 in the oil field road fund. Payments by oil companies on the derrick tax have been received as follows:

Petroleum Securities Co.	\$1500
Beldridge Oil Co.	250
Standard Oil Co.	1500
Petroleum Midway Co.	2750
Associated Oil Co.	250
Sentinel Oil Co.	250
Gilmore Oil Co.	500
Julian Petroleum Corporation	250
Chancellor-Canfield Mid. Oil Co.	750
Total	\$8000

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JOY IN THE SANCTUM

If Uncle Billy Waitman's heart was any bigger he couldn't get a vest large enough. Tuesday he helped the editor out, if not actually saving him from starvation, by bringing over a large sweet pie-pumpkin measuring

41 inches, bust measure, to a gnat's fraction.—Jackson Center News.

People of this country, statistics indicate, spend more for chewing gum than for modern novels. One reason is they are nearly always sure that the chewing gum is worth while.

In Japan nowadays they don't count any disturbance a real earthquake so long as they can stand on their feet.

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(Contributions to this column are welcome on subjects to the following conditions and rules. Letters should be plainly written on one side of the paper. The Editor reserves the usual right of editing. Letters on matters of religious controversy, personal attacks or containing libelous material will not be published. Letters in this department do not necessarily reflect the opinion of this paper. Short contributions are better than long ones. Keep contributions within 400 words.—Editor.)

Gentlemen:

Herewith attached please find my check for three dollars (\$3.00) for subscription to Feb. 28, 1925.

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125 W. 8th St., Long Beach, Calif.

Gentlemen:

Congratulations upon your semi-weekly new departure.

Will be in your hustling, progressive city early in February, when I'll make my subscription good beyond all peradventure. Meanwhile kindly do not fail to mail regularly.

With best wishes for a successful and useful New Year,
J. E. PAQUIN,
Los Angeles.

To the Editor:

Dear Sir: It would be interesting to see published the annual report and account of the Chamber of Commerce for 1923, when the same is ready. The report was published last year, and a comparison of the activities of the chamber for 1923 would be of general interest, owing to the growing business of our city.
J. W. CUFLEY.

Just for Fun

By ROY K. MOULTON

FORCE OF HABIT

Two men stood on the platform of the South Ferry station. Of the Seventh Avenue subway. And they were alone. The train pulled in for its trip uptown and there wasn't a soul in it. Both men stood ready to jump into the side door of a car. And when the door was opened both men went in head foremost. Hitting the same narrow passage. Where they became entangled. And both grew very angry. They pulled and hauled and glared at each other, and when they finally separated both made for the same end seat. One man got it and the other sat down heavily on his lap. Both jumped up, ready to fight. They said nothing, but glared at each other; and if looks could kill, both would now be dead. Both stood up and took hold of the same hand hold, although there were forty others which were not in use. They didn't realize that they were the only ones in the car, and were flaying true to form. They held the same strap and glared at each other until one got off at Times square.

Do you know your family? Are you familiar with the facts concerning each member, even to your second cousins? In this "fill-out-a-blank" era one is compelled to give a complete history of his family, every so often, and it is therefore a potent necessity that every fact is at your finger's end.

During the past year we have floundered in blishes many times merely because we did not know whether Elsie was born in 1906 or 1909, whether John is in 6B or 8A, whether our wife was born in Milwaukee or Minneapolis, or whether Fred's wife's maiden name was Brown or Green.

For some reason or other the boys questioned us on a few of these family matters the other day, and when we saw his doubting expression after our direful failure to produce definite answers we decided at once that the issue could no longer be avoided. That night we held a family meeting and questioned each member in turn, taking down the facts. Adding our own, we brought the apparently desired information to a publisher and by next week I hope to be able to

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